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# UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMISTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE

**OF** 

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY)**

COURSE CODE: SCH 211./214\*

COURSE TITLE: ATOMIC STRUCTURE AND CHEMICAL BONDING

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

DATE: 20/12/2022

TIME: 2:00-4:00PM

This paper contains 4 printed pages

(MAIN EXAM)

Plank's constant,  $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$ 

Speed of light(in vacuum),  $c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ms}^{-1}$ 

Rydberg's constant, R<sub>H</sub>= 1.0968 x10<sup>7</sup> m<sup>-1</sup>

Mass of electron,  $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{kg}$ 

 $1A=10^{-10}$ m and 1J=1 kgm<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-2</sup>

Electronic charge,  $e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} C$ 

Permittivity,  $\xi_0$ =8.854188 x 10<sup>-12</sup> C<sup>2</sup>/Jm

## **QUESTION ONE (30MARKS)**

- a) Discuss the Rutherfold atomic model (3mks)
- b) Explain the Bohr's model of the atom citing its limitations (4mks)
- c) Calculate the energy of an electron transition from n=4 in the Balmer series for the hydrogen atom predict its colour on spectrum line (2mks)
- e) i) For a particle in a one dimension box,  $E_n = \frac{n^2 h^2}{8ma^2}$ , m=mass of particle

Calculate the energy difference between n=2 and n=4 levels for an electron confined to a one dimension box having length  $1\times10^{-10}$ m in joules (4mks)

- ii) Given that  $\Psi = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}\right)x$ . Sketch the plots for  $\Psi$  and  $\Psi^2$  for n=2 for transitions in the box (4mks)
- g) i) Briefly discuss malleability in copper metal (4mks)
  - ii) Why do metals shine when exposed to light (2mks)
- h) State aufbau principles in filling electrons in multielectron atoms (3mks)
- i) What is the difference between a covalent and dative bond. (2mks)
- j) Briefly explain the relationship between screening effects and penetrating effects (2mks)

#### **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Discuss the following terms
- i) electronegativity and
- ii) electron affinity (4mks)

- b) Explain why SiCl<sub>4</sub> has a lower melting point than SiO<sub>2</sub> (Si= 28, Cl=35.5, O=16) (4mks)
- c) Use CHCH to differentiate between pi  $(\pi)$  and sigma  $(\delta)$  covalent bonds (4mks)
- d) Draw and identify intramolecular and intermolecular hydrogen bonds on nitrophenol molecule (4mks)
- e) Explain the trend in lattice energy down group 2 oxides (4mks)

# QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Calculate the effective nuclear charge ( $Z_{eff}$ ) for a 3d electron in iron (III) ion (Fe=26) (5mks)
- d) Account for the molecular shape of NH<sub>3</sub> using the VSEPR (4mks)
- e) Give 3 limitations of the valence bond theory (3mks)
- f) Describe the delocalization on benzene molecule, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (4mks)
- g) Draw the resonance structure for  $CO_3^{2-}$  (4mks)

## **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) Explain why sodium chloride is not reactive whereas both its elements sodium and chlorine are very reactive (5mks)
- b) State 3 characteristics of an ionic compound (3mks)
- c) i) what is polarization (3mks)
- ii) Explain why KI(s) has a higher melting point than LiI (4mks)
- d) A radioactive material emits photons, each having energy of 1.6 x 10<sup>-13</sup>J. Calculate the frequency and wavelength of the electromagnetic radiation emitted by the radioactive material (5 mks)

## **QUESTION 5 (20 MARKS)**

a) i) Use the allowed combination (n,l,m) to draw the orbitals in the outermost energy subshell in the table below. (5mks)

n	L	m	Orbital type
3	2	-2	
3	2	-1	
3	2	0	
3	2	1	
3	2	2	

ii) Sketch the p-orbitals

(3mks)

b) State two limitations to the octet rule

(3mks)

- c) Explain why the first ionization energy of B is 801KJ/mole while the one of Be is 899Kj/mole (4mks)
- d) Draw the homonuclear correlation diagram for boron and determine its magnetism (5mks)